

REMARKS

The undersigned thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the teleconference of February 8, 2008.

In response to the Office communication election/restriction requirement, Applicants elect invention Group I, claims 47-65, drawn to a formulation comprising eicosapentaenoic acid and triterpene. Applicants provisionally elect with traverse as a single disclosed species (1) eicosapentaenoic acid, and, without traverse, (2) an Evening Primrose oil extract of triterpene.

Applicants traverse the species election requirement with respect to eicosapentaenoic acid on the grounds that eicosapentaenoic acid is not a class of compounds but a distinct compound in and of itself. Even if a further election could be made, such would not facilitate a more efficient search. Therefore, applicants request the species election requirement with respect to eicosapentaenoic acid be withdrawn.

Applicants reserve the right to prosecute in one or more divisional applications whatever subject matter is not examined or allowed here. Applicants reserve their right to rejoinder.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the instant claims are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited. In the event there are any fees due and owing in connection with this matter, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 11-0223.

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Respectfully submitted,

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